

Mount Vernon City Library



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It's Great To Have Friends!

by Brian Soneda

Left: Library supporter and expert quilter Sue Brown donated the "Readers Are Leaders" quilt to the Friends of the Mount Vernon Library, who in turn are raffling off tickets to the quilt, with proceeds to benefit Children's programs at the library. Thanks, Sue! Thanks, Friends! See the Friends' column by Friends' President Dave Johnson on Page 2 for more details.

Photo by Brian Soneda



Right: Friends President Dave Johnson and Library Director Brian Soneda pose with the Friends' entry in the Downtown Association's flower pot planting contest. Friends Vice-President Steve Jordan took lead on the project. The entry did not win, but we loved it!

Photo by Sara Holahan



Who supports the library?

- You do, through City taxes
- The Friends of the Mount Vernon Library
- The Mount Vernon Library Foundation
- Individuals and organizations who believe in libraries, literacy and the quality of life in Mount Vernon.

More eBooks and eAudiobooks!

by Anita Thornton, staff member

Have you tried the library's eBook and eAudiobook services? The Mount Vernon City Library is part of the Washington Digital Library Consortium. As a member of this consortium, we have access to downloadable books from the Washington Anytime Library via OverDrive and OneClickdigital via Recorded Books. Since we have started offering these services, they have been well used. Ereaders and eAudio devices have become very popular in the past few years and we are happy to offer content to our customers. Due to increased use, some popular titles have large waiting lists. We just received good news! Due to a one-time only "end of the year" federal grant fund for library development, made available through the Washington State Library, we are getting more content! New titles are FLOODING into the Washington Anytime Library and OneClickdigital services. Also, many additional copies have been added for the popular titles to help shorten the holds list on them. If you have never tried our Downloadable books before or got frustrated with the lack of available copies, this is the time to check them out! You can find links to these services on our website at: <http://www.mountvernonwa.gov/index.aspx?NID=188>

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Friends Day is Saturday, October 20, 11 AM-3 PM. Join us for fun, prizes, refreshments and the company of Friends (of the Library)!

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Friends of the Mount Vernon Library, by Dave Johnson, Friends President

"Autumn, the year's last, loveliest smile." - William Cullen Bryant

I've lived in a few parts of the country and, must admit, autumn has been my favorite time of year for quite awhile. When I was younger, it was the excitement of school, football, and post-season baseball., though I'm old enough to remember when post-season baseball was seven games, max! Now it's the colors, the cooler temperatures, and the prospect of new arts, fires at home, and the temptation of a new book.

Lest I wax rhapsodic too long, please accept our thanks to everyone who helped with our Fall Book Sale, held September 22, whether you donated books, your time, or made a purchase or two! Thanks to you, we added a little over \$1200 to our coffers, allowing us to do more to serve our Library.

Elsewhere you'll find a photo of the wonderful art quilted for us by our good friend Sue Brown and which we're raffling off to a good home. Only 100 tickets will be sold, at \$5 each, with the drawing being held at 11am on Saturday, December 1. They'll be available at Friends Day on October 20, from 11am – 3 pm. That's a great chance to renew your membership, too!

We're always interested in your feedback on the Friends and hope you'll share yours at fundsandfun@yahoo.com. Thanks so much! *See you at the library!*



Mount Vernon Library Foundation, by Harold Page, Foundation President

"Mount Vernon needs you." It's almost a truism but the fact is that what makes Mount Vernon a great place to live is its openness to participation by the people who live here. We feel a greater sense of attachment to our town when, through involvement and working with others, we get a chance to leave our own thumbprint. It doesn't matter if you've just moved here or if you've lived here all your life, this city welcomes your participation in any number of ways. From helping with a PTA Bake Sale to serving on the City Council, Mount Vernon is a stronger, better, and nicer place because of the participation of its citizens.

Now is a particularly good time to become involved. Right now you can become a part of a project that will be of tremendous benefit and importance to the city. We are looking for people to be a part of the Mount Vernon Library Foundation. We are working hard to build a new Library that will be a source of pride for our citizens and a legacy for generations to come. If you would like to help this community in a substantive and meaningful way; if you want to leave your mark on our wonderful town; and if you're willing to let yourself become a part of something, then consider joining the Library Foundation. We need smart, creative people who are willing to invest some time and effort. The next few years are going to be an exciting time that will have a century long impact on our great city.



Adult Summer Reading Program!

by Sara Holahan



Lots of excited readers entered their reviews in the Dream Big adult summer reading program this past summer. Brandy Thornton was the lucky winner. (A drawing was held among all who submitted a review of a favorite book.) She loves coming to the library and spending time here reading.

Look for the book reviews on our adult programs web page, or click on this link : <http://www.mountvernonwa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/939>

Deputy Director Sara Holahan presents the prize to Brandy Thornton

2012 October—December Library Events Calendar

(all programs are free and no sign up is required)

Oct 2-Nov 13	Toddler Storytime, 10:30 am, 2-3 years, Tuesdays.
Oct 2-Nov 13	Bilingual Storytime for Families, 6:30 pm, all ages, Tuesdays.
Oct 3-Nov 14	Preschool Storytime, 10:30 am, 3-5 years, Wednesdays.
Oct 3-Nov 21	LEGO Building for All Ages, 1-7 pm, Wednesdays.
Oct 4-Nov 15	Teddy Bear Time, 10:30 am, birth-24 months, Thursdays.
Oct 4-Nov 15	Travels with SKOOB, 4-4:30 pm, ages 6-8, Thursdays
Oct 6-Nov 17	Family Play & Learn, 10:30-11 am, ages , Saturdays
Oct 6, Nov 3, Dec 1	Tales for Tails, 1-2 pm.
Oct 9	Firefighter Storytime, 10:30-11 am, ages 2 and up.
Oct 11	Teen Writing Group, 5:30-7:30 pm
Oct 13, Nov 10, Dec 8	Saturday Science, 2-3 pm, 8-11 years.
Oct 14-20	Teen Read Week
Oct 16	Teen Read Week READ posters created, 3-5 pm
Oct 18	Manga Club, 5-6 pm, teens.
Oct 20	Friends Day, 11 AM-3 PM, all library supporters are welcome!
Oct 20, Nov 17, Dec 15	LEGO Building for All Ages, 1-4:30 pm.
Oct 21-27	National Friends of the Library Week
Nov 2	Murder Mystery Night "Chronicles of Zombie Town!", 6-8pm
Nov 21	Friends of the Library meeting, 6-7:30 pm.
Dec 5	Mount Vernon & Burlington joint Teen Game Night, 4:30-6:30 pm @ Burlington Library .
Dec 14-15	December Crafts for Kids (materials available during open hours)
Dec 15	Santa Storytime, 10:30-11 am, all ages.



MVFD's Eric Tyree at 2011 Firefighter Storytime!



Santa (D. Van Meer) and his library elves

Cool library things this summer and early fall...



Peter Ali, flautist extraordinaire

Successful Fall Book Sale!



Visit from the WA State Poet Laureate, Kathleen Flenniken



Hundreds await the Reptile Man at Hillcrest Park for Summer Reading Program finale

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“The Chain of Command”

The library director reports to the Mayor,
Jill Boudreau.

The library director is advised by the Board of Trustees. Trustees are appointed by the Mayor and are confirmed by City Council. Trustees serve 5 year terms. Current Trustees are: Marija Anderson (Chair), Bill Craig (Vice Chair), Scott Correa (Secretary), Carrie Odlin and Sharon Sackett.

The library director and library staff serve you, the public.

This newsletter is edited by: Brian Soneda, Library Director

Mount Vernon City Library

Vision Statement:

Mount Vernon City Library - The Heart of Our Thriving Community

Mission Statement:

Mount Vernon City Library promotes lifelong learning by providing access to information and materials that are varied in format and viewpoint. We connect our diverse community through innovative programming and excellent service.

Core Values:

Mount Vernon City Library stands on a foundation of core value including, but not limited to:

Excellent customer service

Relevancy

Patience, understanding and caring

Tolerance

Community leadership

Sensitivity

Helpfulness

Welcoming spirit

Contributor to the community's quality of life

2012 Library Hours

Monday 10 AM-5 PM

Tuesday 10 AM-8 PM

Wednesday 10 AM-8 PM

Thursday 10 AM-8 PM

Friday 10 AM-5 PM

Saturday 10 AM-5 PM

Holiday and other closures:

October 17 All Staff Day (training)

November 12 Veteran's Day observed

November 22-23 Thanksgiving

December 24 Christmas Eve Day

December 25 Christmas Day

